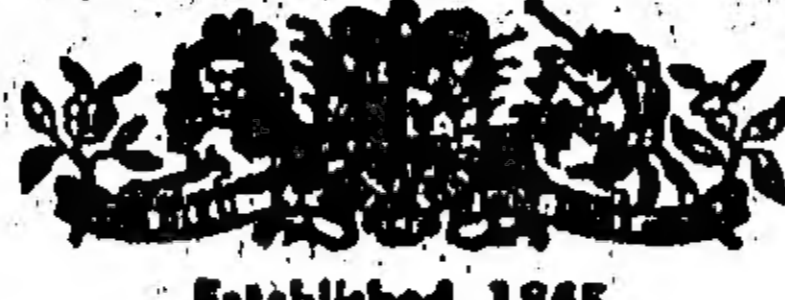




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COMMENT OF THE DAY

WEST INDIES FEDERATION

NEARLY one and a half million British West Indians had the opportunity at the end of March to elect their first Federal Parliament which was opened by Princess Margaret yesterday.

The poll was not heavy and it would be over-optimistic to say that all who voted knew exactly what they were doing.

Local politics in the larger islands have a sharp cutting edge; they are made dramatic by the clash of personalities. Elsewhere there is less political awareness.

But throughout the nineteen islands as a whole and their ten separate administrations Federation is still something nebulous to the ordinary elector.

Caribbean Dream

WITH his passionate interest in what goes on in his own island it is difficult for him to feel vitally concerned in what goes on in another island perhaps a thousand miles away.

Yet that is precisely why the Federal idea has been the dream of Caribbean idealists for almost a hundred years. It is only since the war, however, that it has become a matter of practical politics. Ten years ago it was realised that only through federation could a group of small island territories like the West Indies develop economically and politically as they should.

Their ambitions and their potentialities were limited to two main factors: each island depended too much on its own slender resources and their politics had always been bedevilled by small fractional parties and too many independent members.

Hard Struggle

FEDERATION has not come about without a hard struggle. But greater political cohesion has triumphed over excessive individualism. Since the final decision to federate was taken in 1955 two main parties have emerged and in so doing they seem to have strengthened island politics. The details of the constitution were worked out, not by the Colonial Office but by the West Indian leaders themselves and they regard the first five years as largely experimental and the constitution will be reviewed before the end of that time. With the two leading Jamaican politicians, Mr Norman Manley and Sir Alexander Bustamante, out of the running for election to the Federal Parliament the mantle of the first Prime Ministership has fallen on Sir Grantley Adams, an internationally known trade unionist.

Knotty Problems

At the outset there are no federal issues to bring the two main parties of the Federation into conflict. There will, however, be knotty problems for the Government to tackle later—in particular, the question of a customs union between the islands of widely different degrees of prosperity and the question of loosening the immigration laws, which at present restrict movement among the islands and partly contribute to the unemployment problem in some of them.

The new Federation will not have an easy life. But there is general satisfaction that the first elections have produced two strong parties in Parliament, the foundation of a healthy democratic life. Throughout the Commonwealth there will be a warm welcome for the fact that another group of peoples has taken a major step forward towards greater economic prosperity and eventual political independence.

Britain's Railways Wage Dispute MACMILLAN'S BID TO SOLVE CRISIS Union Leaders Meet PM At Number 10

London, Apr. 22.
Mr Harold Macmillan, the Prime Minister, made a personal bid tonight to solve a wage crisis on Britain's nationalised railways which has aroused fears of a nation-wide transport strike.

At a No. 10 Downing Street meeting with union leaders and chiefs of the British Transport Commission which runs the railways, he stressed that the Government would not give the railways a subsidy to meet wage demands.

But it would recommend recent economy cuts which have slowed down the railway's ten-year modernisation programme and would support the Transport Commission in pruning or cutting out uneconomic services.

On Condition

This was on condition that the three railway unions were prepared to support maximum economy of operation and the most efficient use of manpower.

The Government agreed to try to grant the three per cent wage hike demanded by the workers by modernising the railroads and other forms of economies. Through the economies, the £11,000,000 needed for the pay rise are expected to be obtained within the next three months.

Political circles said, however, that even with the economies it would be necessary to dismiss some six to ten thousand workers in order to grant the increase without increasing expenses.

The unions were to meet again tomorrow to discuss the compromise proposals.

The crisis blew up last week when a wages tribunal flatly rejected the demands of the three unions for a ten per cent pay increase on the grounds that the railways were losing money every year.

Today's meeting of union leaders and employers with the Prime Minister was unprecedented in British industrial disputes.

Trouble Aggravated

Railwaymen in Manchester and others in Glasgow have already called for a stoppage on May 4 if claims are not met.

Such a strike would coincide with a London bus strike already due to begin on May 4 over rejection of pay claims.

The trouble in the nationalised transport industry was further aggravated today by a complete rejection by London Transport authorities, of demands by 18,000 workers on London's underground railway system for shorter hours and higher pay.

Mr Sidney Green, Secretary of the National Union of Railwaymen, said tonight the situation was still very delicate but hopeful.

"I shall never be satisfied until I can say I have an amount of money," he said, "but we are still in the same hopeful position and we are not any more dismal or elated."

He was speaking at a press conference. — Reuter and France-Press.

Policemen Want A 10 Per Cent Raise

London, Apr. 22.
Spokesmen for 70,000 British policemen today applied to the Home Secretary for a 10 per cent salary increase. This was the latest in a rash of wage demands now sweeping through Britain.

Next week will come a formal request by the 3,000,000 members of the Amalgamated Engineering Union for a 15 per cent rise.

Meanwhile, the official strike called by London's 53,000 bus workers on May 5 in support of their wage claims is still expected to take place. — France-Press.

NO KNOWLEDGE OF REPORT

London, Apr. 22.
A British Foreign Office spokesman here today said he did not know of any Soviet proposal for a Foreign Ministers conference of 11 nations to prepare "summit" talks.

He was commenting on a report in the French Communist newspaper, L'Humanite, from its Moscow correspondent, that Mr Andrei Gromyko, Soviet Foreign Minister, had suggested to the

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Proposal To Open Shakespeare's Tomb Rejected

Stratford-On-Avon, Apr. 22.

The rector of the church here where William Shakespeare was buried, today rejected a proposal to open the playwright's tomb.

The rector, Canon T. N. R. Prentice, said he would "not even bother to answer" a request from Mr Sidney R. Campion, former British Government Public Relations Officer.

Mr Campion believes the tomb may contain proof that Shakespeare's plays were actually written by Sir Francis Bacon.

Ridiculous

"Never heard anything so ridiculous in my life," said Canon Prentice, pausing in his preparations for the 394th anniversary of Shakespeare's birth which will be celebrated here tomorrow.

"How would you like it if someone wanted to dig up your great-grandfather?"

Scholars have been trying to prove that Shakespeare did not write Shakespeare's plays for hundreds of years.

Mr Campion, a self-educated man who started work at 11 as a newsboy, claimed that Shakespeare could not have written the plays because his father and daughter were illiterate and he himself did not leave a single book when he died. — Reuter.

To Visit Chile

Santiago, Apr. 22.
Ex-Queen Soraya of Persia, who arrived in the United States today, will visit Chile, according to the Santiago evening paper, La Segunda.

La Segunda said Soraya would visit an aunt here. — Reuter.

Russia Accuses Lodge Of Gagging Council

United Nations, Apr. 22.
The Soviet Ambassador, Arkady Sobolev, today accused the United States delegate, Henry Cabot Lodge, of "gagging" the United Nations Security Council to prevent debate on reprisal alerts by American H-bombers.

Mr Sobolev said at a news conference that the Soviet Union had not dropped its charge that such flights toward Russia's frontiers by planes of the Strategic Air Command menaced peace and that his Government was "pondering the question right now" of how, where and where to bring up the issue again.

Speculation

Correspondents gained the impression that Mr Sobolev called his 40-minute news conference in an effort to dispel widespread speculation that the Kremlin raised the H-bomber issue as a step in a campaign to back away from a summit conference.

"I do not share the view that the results of yesterday's Security Council meeting already hamper or prevent the convening of a meeting of heads of governments," he said.

However, he added, an affirmative decision by the Council would have contributed to an atmosphere for a more productive and successful meeting.

Russia presented a resolution at yesterday's meeting demanding that local labour unrest as an excuse to stage the riot. Police released details of the clash only today.

The City Administration had requested police reinforcements after about 1,000 workers demonstrated before the civil centre over the weekend. — United Press.

CRACKED SAFE IN PRISON

Liverpool, Apr. 22.
Two burglars broke into Walton Prison here and cracked a safe, the Home Office admitted tonight.

It occurred on the night of March 26-27 and had been kept a closely-guarded secret while police unsuccessfully sought the criminals.

The burglars were unlucky, however, in the daring raid as the safe contained only documents.

They mislaid, or had no time to deal with, a safe nearly containing £2,000 in wages for the prison staff. — China Mail Special.

Ridiculed

Mr Lodge ridiculed Mr Sobolev's protest. He said he had conducted the meeting in accordance with the rules and Mr Sobolev's reason for withdrawing the measure was that "he simply didn't have the votes."

Mr Sobolev was asked at his news conference why Russia chose the present time to raise the question of the SAC flights, which have been going on for a considerable time as a safeguard against surprise attack by planes or missiles on the United States.

Lana Turner Sued For Boy Friend's Slaying

Hollywood, Apr. 22.

Film star Lana Turner, her ex-husband Stephen Crane and their daughter, Cheryl, 14, today were sued for US\$750,000 for the slaying of the actress' boy friend by Cheryl.

The suit was filed in Superior Court on behalf of John Stompanato III, of Hammond, Indiana, son of the slain man by one of his three former wives. TV director Jack Harris brought the suit as temporary guardian of the boy.

The suit charges that Stompanato, 32, one time bodyguard for former mobster Mickey Cohen, was stabbed fatally on April 4 in Miss Turner's Beverly Hills home, "without cause, excuse, reason, justification or provocation."

Intentional

A coroner's inquest ruled previously that Cheryl killed Stompanato because she feared he would hurt her mother.

A hearing on Thursday will determine the custody of Cheryl, now in Juvenile Hall.

Acts by Miss Turner, 38, and Cheryl in the episode were "intentional, wrongful, unlawful, wanton, reckless and oppressive," the suit charged in demanding US\$500,000 for general damages and US\$250,000 for exemplary damages.

Crane and Miss Turner were accused in the suit of failing to exercise proper guidance and control of Cheryl. The allegations also were made that the butcher knife which she plunged into Stompanato's stomach should not have been readily available to the tall, dark-haired girl.

The suit referred to Stompanato as a "loving and devoted father" who contributed to his son's support. — United Press.

Direct Shipping

London, Apr. 22.

A shipping service between Chankiang and Hongkong has started, facilitating the shipment of goods from Kwangtung Province and Chankiang direct instead of via Canton, New China News Agency reported today.

There will be five voyages monthly, the report said. A modern commercial harbour is being built at Chankiang, the Agency added. — Reuter.

Bidault Gives Up: Pleven Asked To Try

Paris, Apr. 22.

M. Rene Pleven, a former French Premier, will be asked tomorrow by President Rene Coty to try to form a new government.

A special plane will be sent from Paris tomorrow morning to bring M. Pleven to Paris from Dinant on the Channel coast.

M. Pleven is considered a left-of-centre leader who could form a government including the Conservatives, Radicals, and the Popular Republicans and could count upon the votes of the Socialist Party at least for his investiture.



RENE PLEVEN

Earlier M. Georges Bidault, founder of the Popular Republic (Catholics), movement, announced that he was giving up the attempt to form a government to replace that of 35-year-old M. Felix Gatlard, overthrown last week.

M. Bidault's party refused him their support in his task.

M. Pleven, 57-year-old businessman and financial expert, has twice been Prime Minister and several times Defence Minister.

He was one of the chief architects of the defunct European Army plan—a project to bring West Germany into Western European defence which was killed in the French National Assembly in 1954.

M. Pleven, a leader of the small near-Radical Socialist and Democratic Resistance Union, was among the first Frenchmen to join General Charles De Gaulle in Britain after the 1940 collapse.

He was Prime Minister from July 1950, to February 1951, and again from August 1952, to January 1953. — Reuter.

NO ROYAL FILM PERFORMANCE OR VARIETY SHOW THIS YEAR

London, Apr. 23.
Queen Elizabeth is reported today to have decided not to attend any "Royal Film Performance" this year.

According to the Daily Mail, she is expected also to cut out the Royal Variety Show.

The Queen has attended a Royal Film Show every year since 1946 when she was Princess Elizabeth.

LOOKS FORWARD

The Mail reports, however, that in a letter to the Cinematograph Trade Benevolent Fund, the Queen said she "looks forward to attending often in the future."

The fund, a film industry charity, has received £200,000 since 1946 from the Royal performances which have been evenly divided between British and American productions.

The Daily Mail quotes a Buckingham Palace spokesman as explaining the Queen's action thus: "The Queen feels she has to vary her engagements to cover the widest possible field. It is a duty to attend certain performances every year,



QUEEN ELIZABETH

She wants to vary engagements

certain parts of the community receive her presence more than others. She feels that is not fair."

But the Daily Mail declares that "off the record" there is "disarray" and "conscience-searching" in Windsor Street, heart of the British film world.

The newspaper says the reason for the dismay is that the cinema industry is shaky and

"needs all the support it can get."

The reason for the "conscience-searching" is that some of the "distinction" has disappeared in recent years from what was designed to be the British cinema's most gala occasion.

The presentation of stars has come in for criticism and, says the Mail, Windsor Street is wondering: "Did we overdo it?"

ILL-FEELING

The newspaper says that the Queen has not decided yet about attending the Royal Variety Show, also held in November for charity.

But "it is expected she will cut this year's to avoid ill-feeling between the film and stage worlds."

The News Chronicle says charities in a wider cultural field will benefit from the Queen's patronage.

It says that in November, for example, the Queen will attend a Festival Hall concert in aid of the "Musicians' Benevolent Fund." — Reuter.

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CABLE BRIEFS

Folkstone, Apr. 22. Farmer John Roslyn-Smith got annoyed when troops on manoeuvres went through a gate on his farm and forgot to shut it after them. So he padlocked it and erected a sign saying "Out of Bounds."

Now he's planning a formal protest to the local military authorities—the last batch of troops carried off gate and sign and used them for firewood. —United Press.

London, Apr. 22. Postmaster-General Marples today ordered a clean-up, paint-up and mile campaign to brighten Britain's post offices.

Marples said he wants to "cut out the look that makes the man behind the counter appear to be spending six years in prison."—United Press.

Grimaby, Apr. 22. A lecture attended by 600 women broke up in chaos yesterday when a mouse ran across the floor in the Grimaby Town Hall.

The mouse got away.—United Press.

Chicago, Apr. 22. Even organ grinders have agents nowadays.

The University of Chicago could not book Giuseppe Renaldi for its Festival of Arts until it contacted his agent. —United Press.

Reokuk, Apr. 22. City Councilors have decided to ease the "agony" of receiving parking meter violation tickets.

Starting May 1, "Meter Males" Judith Harrison and Janet Rayburn will issue the tickets to errant motorists.—United Press.

Mito, Apr. 22. Ashamed school principal Sonosuke Iizuka travelled half way across Japan to erase some wall scribbles.

His students had defaced the wall of a shrine during a school excursion.—United Press.

Des Moines, Apr. 22. The Iowa Tax Commission reported that use tax collections from cars, trucks and trailers in March were almost \$100,000 lower than March, 1957.

It suggested that the heart of the Farm Belt may yet see the revival of the horse.—United Press.

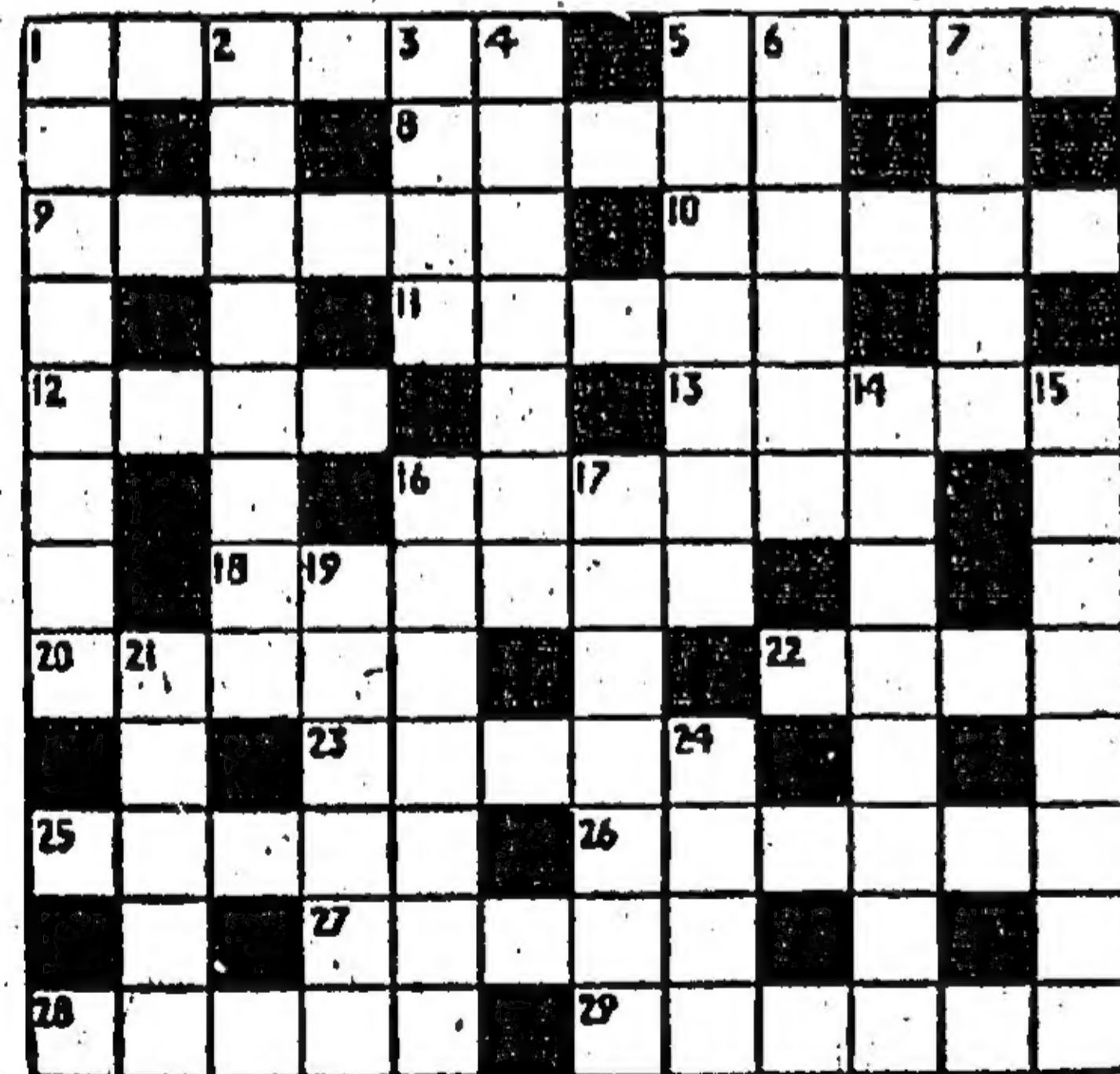
The First Of Its Kind

London, Apr. 22. BENJAMIN SMITH, farmer of Hedingham, Essex, made British legal history today by being the first man convicted for deliberately spreading myxomatosis, the rabbit disease.

He pleaded guilty to a charge of using two infected rabbits to spread the disease among others and was fined £5 with costs. The rabbits were eating his winter wheat, he said.

The case was brought by the Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals.—China Mail Special.

A British Crossword Puzzle



- ACROSS**
- They are mariners (6).
 - Elliot's Mariner (3).
 - One of "I Across," maybe (5).
 - The way nourishment reaches the plant (6).
 - Dog of war (5).
 - Often goes with glycerine (5).
 - Records deliberately burned (4).
 - Puts on an equality (5).
 - Don't they ever disagree? (6).
 - It has an eye but sees not (6).
 - Born in South Africa? (5).
 - Like an unwritten law? (4).
 - Work like a black? (3).
 - Proportion (5).
 - Knightly wandering? (10).
 - Non-baseball pitchers (5).
 - Use a spoon (5).
 - Relish four times a year (10).
- DOWN**
- Cook's drudge? (8).
 - Chaining to rack (8).
 - Bono turned black (4).
 - Observed it's not cooled (7).
 - Nothing could be better (7).
 - Devoted (2, 4).
 - London suburb (5).
 - Makes an earnest plea (6).
 - Cupboard key? (8).
 - Shades of colour (7).
 - Slices (7).
 - This one is not so difficult (6).
 - As a wif (11).
 - Irish Gaelic (4).

TUESDAY'S CROSSWORD—Across: 3 Gamp, 7 Jetty, 8 Inch, 9 Heat, 10 Guckdon, 12 Yarn, 15 Vesta, 18 Senti, 19 CL-nas, 21 Renda, 22 A-lom, 23 Error, 26 Eggs, 29 Aerials, 30 Tubs, 31 Yogs, 32 Tonus, 33 Gods, 34 Bawn, 1 Renda, 2 Starved, 4 Agent, 5 Pity, 6 Star, 8 Host, 11 Dime, 12 A-dam, 14 Net, 16 Actor, 17 Tree, 18 Bug, 20 Lorines, 22 Aves, 24 Ralids, 25 Clods, 27 G-on, 28 Stee.

The Cholera Epidemic In Calcutta

Calcutta, Apr. 22. Cholera killed 125 people in Calcutta last week as the worst epidemic in 20 years raged unabated.

Total deaths so far are 300 and with more than 200 people daily being struck down hospitals are finding it difficult to cope.

Two thousand victims were admitted to city hospitals last week. A corporation spokesman said today that the epidemic was only likely to be controlled after the rains had set in easing the heatwave in the city for the past two weeks.

Extra ambulances have been put into service and 400 tube-wells are being sunk for drinking water in slum areas where the epidemic started and is worst.

According to the experts, the Cholera delta, which Calcutta lies in the home of Asiatic cholera which killed over seven millions in India between 1901 and 1923.—Reuter.

THE DEATH PENALTY IN CEYLON

Colombo, Apr. 22. The Ceylon House of Representatives today passed for the second time an official bill to suspend the death penalty for an experimental period of three years.

Earlier the bill, after being passed by the House had been turned down by the Senate on the ground that it would encourage crime.

The bill will now go to the Senate again. But under the constitution it will be eligible for the Governor-General's assent even if it is rejected there.—Reuter.

Russian Pilots In Indonesia's Civil War?

Savage Air Raids On Rebels

Many Reported Killed In Bukittinggi

Singapore, Apr. 22. The Indonesian Air Force attacked the Sumatra rebel capital of Bukittinggi twice today and rebel sources said the raids were so savage that the pilots "must have been Russians."

A rebel reporter said: "No Indonesian pilots could have done such savage attacks," in a morsecode on a station formerly used by Western correspondents.

Meanwhile Colonel Dahlan Djambak, spokesman for the revolutionary government, renewed his demand for a United Nations investigation of the Soviet part in the Sumatra affair.

He was quoted as saying that "The use of Russian pilots or Russian crews on aerial missions by the Soekarno regime would mean that Russia is interfering in the internal affairs of Indonesia."

The rebel reporter said the Indonesian Air Force attacked "many places" during the day, including Padangkumbuh, 30 miles east of Bukittinggi, and Batu-sangkai, 30 miles to the south where the rebel leaders were reported to have taken refuge.

At Bukittinggi, the reporter said, the first air raid was aimed at the army barracks and the second at the town market where people were busy buying and selling.

"The madness of the attacks showed the pilots were devoid of feelings of humanity. It was quite clear that the pilots did not know Bukittinggi town."

The rebel reporter indicated that there was a heavy loss of life.

FIRST TIME

The Indonesian government's land forces meanwhile drove within 16 miles of Bukittinggi, 150 miles to the east, the rebels claimed that revolutionary government planes had bombed Morotai Island to bring the civil war to the Moluccan group for the first time.

Mr. Anton Makatila, London representative of the Indonesian rebel government, said today that his government might shortly transfer its headquarters from West Sumatra to "somewhere" in North Celebes.

"The Government moved today from Bukittinggi to Batu Sangkar, further south, he added.

There were indications that Padang, which was retaken from the Javanese forces last Saturday, had once more changed hands. Mr. Makatila admitted that rebel forces in Sumatra were under "strong pressure."

In Singapore, the British Colony's Chief Secretary, Mr. E. B. David, today denied the existence of any Indonesian rebel central organisation in the city.

Answering questions in the Singapore Legislative Assembly, David said the government was unaware of the existence of an organisation reportedly called the "Island Development Organisation," said to direct rebel activities from Singapore.

In reply to further questions, the Chief Secretary said that Indonesian travellers, who possessed valid travel documents, were treated by the Singapore authorities on the same footing as other foreigners.—United Press and France-Press.

Wigan, Apr. 22. Two policemen who saw Mrs Margaret Jolliffe pushing her baby daughter in a pram near a colliery here thought the child was sitting unusually high.

When they pulled back the pram covers they found she was sitting on 47 pounds of coal.

Mrs Jolliffe was fined £1 for the theft.—Reuter.

They Take Their First Bow



TWO bear cubs born at London Zoo recently make their first public appearance with keeper Sam Molton. The cubs are the first pure-bred Syrian bears ever born at the Zoo. They weigh 6lb. Their parents are Winnie and Pickles.—Express.

THE UNREST IN CYPRUS: SIR HUGH FOR LONDON?

URGENT TALKS ON WORSENING SITUATION

Nicosia, Apr. 22.

Reliable sources said today that it would be only a matter of days before the Governor, Sir Hugh Foot, flew home to London for urgent talks on this island's worsening situation.

He'll Walk

Around The World In 15 Years

Penang, Apr. 22. A Chinese salesman with six dollars in his pocket, today set out to walk round the world in 15 years.

Hongkong-born Chong Chee-weng, 28, who became a Malaysian citizen shortly after the country attained its independence, is carrying with him a Malaysian flag.

LIMP

"I shall take this standard with me wherever I travel," he said.

Chong, who walks with a limp, originally intended to cycle round the world, but changed his mind "because I shall be able to see more of the world on foot."

"Time is no problem with me," he said.—Reuter.

Love Is More Than Money

GREAT-GRANDMOTHER, 85, TO WED MAN, 29

Bloomington, Apr. 22. AN 85-year-old great-grandmother, today proved she was 18—and old enough to marry her 29-year-old fiance.

It was precisely love at first sight for Mrs Laura Belle Wilson, who has five great-grandchildren, and Jim Hough, a newspaper delivery man.

But little romance and wedding plans ran into a snag last Saturday when Mrs Wilson was unable to prove she was 18, the legal minimum age for a girl to obtain a marriage license in Indiana.

Today she furnished documentary proof of her age.—Reuter.

"Love is worth more than money," Mrs Wilson said as she climbed the stairs to the county clerk's office in the Moore county courthouse here. "I wouldn't trade that young man for all the money in the world."

Their faces radiated happiness when the clerk, T. Nolan Welch, said a letter from the County Welfare Director, Lee Nelson, was acceptable proof that Mrs Wilson was old enough to get married.

But a mole of sleep was injected almost immediately—at least for Hough—when Welch said the couple would have to wait three days under Indiana law before they could be married.—United Press.

Grim Threat To Crops

20,000 JOIN FIGHT AGAINST DROUGHT IN HOPEI

Peking, Apr. 22.

About 20,000 people left Peking today to join in a battle against drought which is threatening the spring wheat crop, now being sown in surrounding Hopei province.

Large-scale irrigation work has been carried out throughout the winter but the region around Pootung, provincial capital, has had no rain and little snow for the past seven months.

In Foye county, a local Communist party branch has criticised officials for failing to take precautions against drought.

Now, schoolchildren are spending half of each day helping peasants dig wells and cut more ditches.

RAINFALL

According to a recent report in the Peking Peoples' Daily, organ of the Chinese Communist Party, rainfall in Hopei and neighbouring provinces of Northern China has totalled only from 40 to 70 per cent of the quantity required to safeguard the crops.

Official reports from Southern China predict generally good wheat crops, though between 10 to 15 per cent is below standard and causing concern.—Reuter.

Gary Davis

Gives Up

The Fight

New York, Apr. 22.

Gary Davis, self-styled "World Citizen Number One" returned to his native land today after 10 years as a stateless citizen and said: "I can't make world peace alone."

Davis, 36, tore up his American passport 10 years ago and started a one-man crusade for a world without frontiers.

Since then he has been ejected from almost every country in Europe, as well as some in Asia.

Davis, who returned here on a passport issued to him in Italy, said he would try to get his American citizenship back again and then hoped to resume his career as an actor.—Reuter.

Plans To Explore The Moon

Satellite Made Of Aluminium

Washington, Apr. 22. US scientists disclosed today that they plan to explore the moon with an aluminium foil satellite 100 feet in diameter.

Dr Hugh L. Dryden, Director of the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics (NACA), told the House Space Committee the huge inflatable satellite already is under development.

He said the satellite would be fired to the moon—480,000 miles from earth—and inflated near it. It would either circle the earth in the moon's orbit or orbit the moon itself.

VISIBLE

Dryden said the great silver ball would be visible from Earth.

US scientists previously announced plans to launch 30-inch and 12-foot inflatable aluminium foil satellites along with regular Vanguard and Explorer satellites this year.

He said if the Explorer and foil satellites went into orbit at 800 miles above the Earth's surface, the foil satellite would be visible to the naked eye at dawn and twilight.

He said it would have the brightness of a 3rd magnitude star—nearly as bright as the North Star. He said its life span would be about 40 days.—United Press.

Rock Hudson Sued For Divorce

Santa Monica, Apr. 22. Actor Rock Hudson, 32, was sued for divorce today in Santa Monica Superior court by his wife, Phyllis, from whom he has been separated since October 17 last year.

Hudson, who began his motion picture career after serving two years in the Navy, was charged with having treated his wife with extreme cruelty, and causing her great mental suffering and anguish. The suit was filed by Mrs Hudson's lawyer, Jerry Gleiser.

The action, filed under Hudson's real name, Roy H. Fitzgerald, asked the court to award Mrs Hudson a fair share of the community property acquired by the couple after their marriage on November 9, 1955.—United Press.

Britain Raises A Protest

London, Apr. 22.

Britain has protested to Australia against its ban on all imports of cattle, sheep and goats from June 1, it was disclosed today.

Lord John Hope, Joint Parliamentary Secretary for Scotland, told the House of Commons that the Government had "expressed concern" and that discussions were taking place with Australia.—United Press.

Big Heroin

Seizure

In Rome's YMCA

Rome, Apr. 22.

Italian narcotics agents arrested two alleged drug dealers in Rome's Young men's Christian Association (YMCA) Hotel tonight and seized an estimated US\$384,000 worth of heroin.

The two men were a Syrian, Mohammed Kazem, 36, and a Pakistani—Mohammed Asghar, 29.

The arrest of the two men climaxed a 20-day investigation of what may be one of the largest narcotics rings discovered in Italy since the war.

INTERPOL

Italian narcotics agents and the International Police Interpol were continuing investigation of the alleged gang.

The police said they had been on the trail of the two men ever since Asghar entered Italy by train 20 days ago, coming from Syria via Yugoslavia.

The police said they seized more than eight kilograms (17 lb 10 oz) of heroin and many samples of cocaine. They said the large drug shipment came from Syria and Asghar was about to sell it to Kazem for peddling on the Italian market.—United Press.

HONEYMOON TO HANGOVER

Then she acts her triumph!

CONCLUDING THE TORMENTED LIFE OF LANA TURNER



by LEONARD MOSLEY

"RETREADS—that's all I ever seem to marry," Lana Turner once said to me—between marriages, of course.

"By the time I get around to falling in love with my man," she went on, "they not only know all about marriage. They're shop-worn, cynical, and disillusioned about it."

I said: "Then why don't you pick an eligible bachelor next time?"

"Where?" she asked wearily. "Just find me one. Just find me one!" Certainly, a list of the marital misadventures of Lana Turner's four husbands makes a formidable and frightening statistic. Between them they made 10 separate trips to the altar (or the justice of the peace) before they got around to Lana.

The husband she married on the rebound from Tyrone Power, who had married Lana Christian, was a fun-loving millionaire named Henry J. Topping.

The bliss

You could almost say that their primeval path to the marriage bureau was littered with lost husbands and discarded wives, for this was the fourth try for marital bliss for both of them.

Not that the bliss seemed to last very long. It started in a blaze of celebration and merry-making. With their signatures still wet on the marriage certificate, they rushed aboard an Atlantic liner—for Topping was taking Lana to Europe to see some midjet-car racing in which he was interested.

They posed for photographs and made the usual statements—which were now undoubtedly becoming a little stereotyped for both of them—about how happy they felt and how much they were in love. Then Topping rang for the steward.

"Ah," said Topping, "this is the moment when the honeymoon really begins."

But for Lana it was once more to lead rapidly to a hangover. In actual time, it took four years to reach the divorce court, but they were sipping their drinks in separate places long before that. In the mean time, Lana had conceived—and lost—a baby.

Her disappointment over her loss was mitigated by the presence of her daughter, Cheryl, who had already, at the age of eight, grown to adore her mother with an affection almost strong enough to be a fixation.

"Mom," she once asked Lana, "why are there always so many different uncles around the house?"

After the break-up with Topping, Lana took time out to wrangle with the problems of her career in films, which had been taking something of a beating in the interim.

Fashions

But she was well aware that fashion in the cinema was changing, that the bloom of youth was no longer her principal asset, and that she would need more than a shape inside a sweater to keep her fans in future.

It was an uphill fight, and sometimes she grew disillusioned. When she found herself too dispirited and depressed she would collect a bunch of friends and take them off to Mexico.

One of them was a brown and burnished actor named Lex Barker, currently beating his breast and swinging from artificial trees in the role of Tarzan of the Apes.

With Barker, Lana decided that she would change her

The irony

Who else needed her? Not films, anyway. For she hadn't had a hit for a long time.

That is where the irony comes in. Because, though Lana Turner did not know it, she was on the brink of one of her greatest triumphs in films.

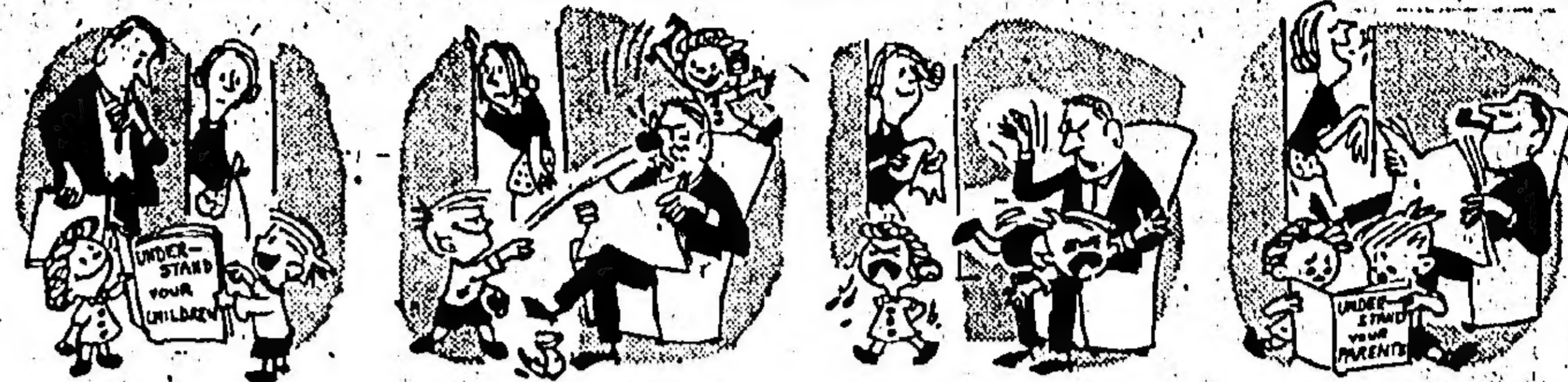
She had been given the part of the young mother in "Peyton Place" who has to handle a wayward daughter. She played it magnificently. She acted brilliantly for the first time in her career—almost certainly because she was playing the part straight out of her own life.

Would she have held on to Johnny Stompanato if she had realized that, with this role she would be nominated for an Oscar and be right on top of the Hollywood tree once more?

Ah, well, it is an academic question now.

Johnny Stompanato is out of her life. But you cannot solve a problem like him with a carving knife. All you get from what her daughter, Cheryl Crane, did the other week-end is the most dreadful hangover of Lana Turner's tormented career.

Do you smack your child when he flies into a temper? Or do you ignore him? The answer you give raises another question...



Are you fit to be a parent?

How good a parent are you? Do you ever contemplate your family and ask yourself: "How am I doing? Am I better than other parents—or am I worse?"

The questions on this page have been prepared by the Sunday Express Psychological Consultant. They are based on the results of modern research into what a child needs from his home life—and what a parent should do to be better off without.

It is not the correctness of individual answers that counts, but the attitude you reveal by your total score.

It is a quiz in which you can't cheat—for the possibility of cheating was taken into consideration when the questions were prepared.

1 If your young boy took some money from a friend, would you

(a) Punish him at once and make it up?
(b) Keep him in disgrace for a time?
(c) Make him pay his friend back and give him odd jobs to earn money with?
(d) Do nothing?

2 Do you feel that "character" is something that is born with the child, or is mainly due to his upbringing?

(a) Born with him.
(b) Due to his upbringing.

3 At what age could you leave your child with friends, or relatives if you wanted to go on holiday?

(a) From birth.
(b) From two years old.
(c) From five years old.
(d) From seven years old.

4 Do you think children of different ages in the same family should go to bed at the same time?

(a) Yes.
(b) According to their age?
(c) According to how well

they have been behaving themselves?

5 If a child of three had a tantrum, would you

(a) Smack it?
(b) Put it, if possible, in a room by itself?
(c) Try to distract its attention?
(d) Ignore it?

6 What would you say was the point of punishing a child when it has done wrong?

(a) To make sure the child does not repeat the offence.
(b) To make the child realise he has done wrong.

7 If there were a new arrival, how would you deal with the elder child?

(a) Carry on as normal.
(b) Give him special attention.
(c) Try to make him take a special interest in the baby.

8 Which would you say was the more important for a small child?

(a) Regular bedtime and feeding.
(b) A constant home environment.
(c) Regularly being looked after by the same person.

9 Would you give pocket money when

(a) The child asks for it?
(b) Regularly?
(c) When the child has earned it by doing some little job?

10 If your young child unintentionally misbehaved in a restaurant, would you

(a) Scold him for making you conspicuous?
(b) Faze it off as of no importance?
(c) Blame yourself for having taken him there in the first place?

11 Would you say that difficulties in adolescence are due to

(a) Bad company?
(b) Being unsure of themselves?
(c) Very often undesirable rebellious feelings?

12 Would you say that a growing boy is probably incapable of deciding on his profession for himself?

(a) Yes.
(b) No.

13 What is your attitude to the latest adolescent cry, you may be afflicted with? Do you try to

(a) Ignore it?
(b) Discourage it?
(c) Encourage it?

14 How long would you say a boy or girl should live with his or her parents?

(a) Until they are 18.
(b) Until they are married.
(c) Until they have a job.
(d) None of these, necessarily?

15 When taking your child out for a regular walk, do you dress him in

(a) His play clothes?
(b) His best clothes?
(c) His ordinary clothes?

16 Do you feel that mothers take their children out of winter clothes too soon?

(a) Yes.
(b) No.

17 What would you say was the ideal number of children?

(a) None.
(b) One.
(c) Two or three.
(d) Four or more.

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IT IS ALL VERY WELL TO TALK ABOUT CHILDREN, BUT WHAT ABOUT PARENTS?

15 Would you say that by and large parents have a tougher time than their children?

(a) Yes.
(b) No.

16 Do you think your own childhood was unhappy?

(a) Yes.
(b) No.

17 What would you say in your view was the most important quality in parents?

(a) Providing a secure environment.
(b) Being consistent in rewards and punishments.
(c) Seeing the child as properly fed and clothed.
(d) Giving firm moral standards.

The burglar gets away with it

ONE night last week there was a sudden, frightening clatter from the kitchen, followed by deep silence. I rushed in prepared for almost any dreadful sight; but all I found were three saucepans on the floor and the ragged remains of a loaf.

UP COUNTRY by THURLOW CRAIG

Then, high on the saucepan-shelf with bristling back and bushy tail, I saw our adventurous little cat Nelson, his glaring eyes fixed on the window that was always left open for him.

I closed the window and took Nelson upstairs, indicating that in future he could use my bedroom window.

From that time on, only walk down the sloping roof and jump two feet to the mountainside into which the house is built.

Back in the kitchen I replaced the pans and examined the footprints in the loaf.

They might have been made by a mammoth dog and this was worth checking, for we live in sheep country and the ewes are lambing.

But no wandering dog had been reported. We had no mysterious visitor the next night, nor did we on the following night.

On the fourth night a fresh jump of meat hanging for the tit on an 8 ft.-high line just vanished, the cord cut as though with a knife.

The next day I hung up a piece of gristly beef and put out two pieces of bread and, from midnight on, watched at my bedroom window.

Night-racket

The night was still and cloudless, lit by a bright half moon. The owls were out in force, and once I counted five silhouetted against the clear sky, hooting away merrily in the horse chestnut trees at the bottom of the garden.



You would think this penetrating din would scare away all the mice, voles, and shrews, but apparently it doesn't. They are stupid things.

Just as stupid are the lambs, always imagining that they have become orphans, and working themselves into a frenzy until they find their mothers again. This happens at night too, particularly when there is a moon, so there was a more or less continuous bawling from the nursery field below the garden. Twin sets appear to be the fashion this year, with a high proportion of black lambs.

Once far away in the hills, I heard a fox baying the moon. It had just begun to feel that way, might be better employed in brewing a nice strong pot of tea, when a dark shadow snaked into view by the herbaceous border.

How long it had waited in the protective gloom of the trees, I do not know, but the owl had fallen silent. Now, furtive and flat with its belly hugging the ground, it slunk down the moon-lit path, straight to the first piece of bread. This was soon polished off and my visitor, a fox, went boldly on to the next.

Then, under the hanging moon, he stopped, muzzle high, sniffing. He rose gracefully on to his hind legs, with the forelegs carried like those of a kangaroo, but was still several feet short of the prize.

He stepped delicately round in a circle, balancing easily, and waving a lovely bushy tail. Suddenly he flexed powerful quarters and sprang. Steel-like jaws snapped, and the fox twanged like a riddle-string. There was a dark streak down the path, and the burglar vanished with his booty.

Hard-pressed

There are still no rabbits in our part of the world and the foxes on the point of breeding are hard-pressed for food. I sold—and I believe that nowadays most of their diet consists of roots, berries, mice, beetles and so forth.

I've never before heard of a fox raiding a house for food, but we are probably the only people around here who ever left a ground-floor window wide open every night.

We have put a stop to that now, but I don't know if the foxes will be able to break in now.



The Scoutmaster said something when he said Scouts deserve a well-earned rest after their strenuous Bob-a-Job week.



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"GET TOUGH WITH THE AMATEURS"

YESTERDAY'S TENNIS COLONY GRASSCOURT DOUBLES FINAL TO BE REPLAYED

The Colony Grasscourt Doubles Final opposing Ip Koon-hung and Ng Man-cheung to the left-handers, Edwin Tsai and Michael Lo, which was stopped by falling light in the fifth set at Chater Road yesterday, will be replayed in its entirety on Friday from 5 p.m.

Ip and Ng led by 6-3, 6-4, 5-4 in the third set and held the advantage at set and match point when their confident game fell apart. The score stood at 6-3, 6-4, 6-8, 4-6 and 5-5 when the Umpire stopped the match because of falling light.

Former Schoolboy Singles Champion Michael Lo proved the surprise packet in this match. In the vital tenth game of the third set he beat Ip with neatly sliced shots near the net. This saved the match and put new fire into young Lo who played an inspired game from then on and twice even scored 10.

Even Start

The first set was very even with all four players holding their services till the eighth game. Then Lo's service was broken and Ip and Ng held this advantage to win at 6-3.

Tsai and Lo led 3-0 in the second set but their opponents took the next five games to reverse the situation. They were to lose the ninth game and win the tenth and were two sets up. Ip and Ng led 3-1, 4-2 and 6-3 in the third set. Tsai held his service in the ninth game by seeing Ng. Then came the turning point of the match after Ip and Ng were on set point.

Lo followed up his two aces to beat Ip and save match point by serving a love game and holding advantage of 6-5. Tsai held his service in the 13th game after 6-8 and Ip dropped the 14th game on his own service as Michael Lo again and again passed the former Colony Champion with some superbly placed shots into the forecourt.

Understanding

Tsai and Lo were now beginning to understand their opponents and, when forced to play Ip, they kept the play near the net. When the chance came to volley they concentrated. Ng, who in the volleys were returned—they switched to lobbing.

Tsai and Lo led 3-1 in the fourth set, were behind 3-2, but they were playing more confidently now and they held their own to win out at 6-4 and level the set score at 2-1.

The fifth set was played in falling light and it was obvious the light would not hold. The umpire called it "no match" with the final set score deadlocked at five-all. The match will be replayed on Friday.

Dao Praised

Col. Harry Owen-Hughes, President of the HKLTA in a short address prior to calling on Miss Josephine Gould, daughter of the Acting Chief Justice and Mrs. Gould, to present the prizes, commented on the fact that the standard of play throughout the tournament was not up to expectations.

He said: "The title of lawn tennis champion of the Colony has changed hands for the first time in ten years and this evening we have to congratulate K. C. Dao on having achieved what must have been his ambition over many years. I am sure that everybody present admires the manner of his victory which was achieved by tenacious and astute training against both our Wimbledon players, Ip and Tsai. In his match against Edwin Tsai, he recovered from being 2 sets down and 6-4 down in the third set—a truly remarkable performance. His determination to win against younger players

Blackpool's World Soccer Trip

Blackpool FC will make the most ambitious tour ever attempted by a League club when they circle the world in 43 days. They will leave London Airport a few hours after their last match of the season at Tottenham on April 26, and will go via New York to Los Angeles for the first of their 14 matches. Another game follows at San Francisco, and then there will be eleven matches in Australia starting at Sydney on May 2 and ending on June 4. A match has been arranged for Singapore and they are hopeful of others in New Zealand and perhaps Hongkong. The big attraction everywhere will be Stanley Matthews, CBE.

Hungarian Star Player Out Of World Cup

Budapest, Apr. 22. Nandor Hudegkuti, one of Hungary's veteran star football players, will not play for his country in the final stages of the World Cup in Sweden this summer, it was revealed here tonight.

National selector Lajos Baroth left Hudegkuti out of his list of 22 players chosen for the World Cup matches and published here tonight. This selection is final and only if any of the 22 are ill will they be replaced on the Sweden trip by others of the 40 pre-selected.

Those Chosen

The pre-selection list is to be sent to the Stockholm organisers, but the following 22 players have already been chosen to defend Hungary's prestige in the World Cup matches:

Goal: Grosics and Ilku. Full-backs: Matrai, Karpatti, Sipos, Szilagi and Szarosi. Half-backs: Bozskai, Koltai, Berend and Koltai. Forwards: Sandor, Budai, Vasas, Lahos, Machos, Tichy, Bundzak, Monostori, Penyvesi, Friedmansky and Lenkei. —France-Press.

Hollyhock Wins Great Metropolitan Handicap By Two Lengths

Epsom, Apr. 22.

Mr D. E. Hely-Hutchinson's Hollyhock won the Great Metropolitan Handicap run over two miles and a quarter here today.

Mr H. D. Knight's Sacafite was second with Lord Hindley's Beyond the Moss third. Sixteen ran.

Official starting prices: Hollyhock, 9-1; Sacafite, 20-1; Beyond the Moss, Channona started 5-1 favourite.

Hollyhock won by two lengths with half a length between second and third.

Hollyhock is the first horse this century to win both the Queen's Prize at Kempton Park and the Great Metropolitan Handicap, in which he carried a ten pounds penalty. The last horse to complete the double was Colorado in 1892.

Hollyhock's time was three minutes 59 seconds. The Queen's Miner's Lamp won the Blue Riband Trial Stakes, run over one mile and about 110 yards.

Mr A. Kennedy's Kingroy was second with Colonel H. Hornum's Barleycroft third. Seven ran.

Sports Diary

TODAY

Soccer: Army Major Units Soccer League at Boundary Street, 3.30 p.m.

TOMORROW

Soccer: Victory Shield: Combined Services v. Combined Chinese, Boundary Street, 3.30 p.m. Victory Cup: HK v. Kowloon schoolboys, 4.15 p.m.

Golf: Combined Services Championships at Feeling.

HOME SOCCER RESULTS

London, Apr. 22. Results in tonight's football matches were:

LEAGUE TWO

Grimsby Town 0, Stoke City 6.

LEAGUE THREE

Oldham Athletic 6, Chester 1. —Reuter.

Kid Bassey To Fight Frenchman On June 24

Abidjan, Apr. 22.

French featherweight Jules Touan has accepted to fight Hogan "Kid" Bassey, Nigeria's World Featherweight Boxing Champion in a 10-round non-title fight at London on June 24. It was announced here today.

Twenty-three old Touan who was born at Guezo, Ivory Coast, accepted the offer made by Georges Biddies, manager of the world champion. —France-Press.

Lawn Tennis Needs A Thorough Overhaul

Says DEREK JOHN

London.

Bunkum, baloney and balderdash. That's my view of the new "get tough with the amateurs" proposals by the International Lawn Tennis Federation.

Amateur lawn tennis, seriously suffering from shamateurism sickness, needs a thorough overhaul.

These latest proposals, so unrealistic, idealistic and impracticable, will make the patient's condition more critical than before.

The proposals will attempt to limit the game's globe-trotters to 150 days' play on 24 a day expenses each year. That compares with the £14 a day last year's Wimbledon Champion Lew Hoad could command for himself and his wife before he turned professional.

The world tennis controllers will seek to impose a series of "kid glove" restrictions which they know they have no real means of enforcing. For instance, who, without power to investigate bank accounts, can contradict any player who suddenly acquires "private means"?

As for the £4 a day expenses limit, Federation representatives admit it will still be payable even when players are given free travel and accommodation. Players know that £4 must be the amount shown on the balance sheet. Say if they are to get their old-time £10, say, then £6 must be handed over discreetly in cash.

Another proposal, with more loopholes than a tennis racket, is that each country be limited to one major championship in grass, hard and covered courts. This is designed to stop bumping up prize money in minor tournaments.

That is easily got round. The £150 camera, officially valued at £100, will be valued at £50 or whatever figure is needed. But the players will get the same prices when selling their prizes.

New Restrictions

These new restrictions—planned to start next year—will be rolled out at the annual meeting of the Federation in Brussels on July 9. I trust they will be treated with the contempt they deserve.

For make no mistake, these restrictions can only lower the already fast-declining standard of amateur tennis. That 150-days limit on overseas play will rob players of valuable experience against top opposition, the ill-effects financial restrictions, however unworkable, will make the best amateurs even more eager to become professional money-spinners.

A lowering of the standard of amateur tennis and the departure of more leading personalities to the professional ranks will mean fewer spectators. And it's the tennis fans, paying hard cash at the tournament turnstiles, who finance the development of training schemes for young tennis players.

It all adds up to a black chapter ahead in the story of the Decline and Fall of Amateur Tennis.

Young Barry Mackay, the Davis Cup "hope", who has been called back from Europe by the US Lawn Tennis Association to travel and practise with the great brain, Cochet, Trabert and Hoad, says he has learned more about tennis in three hours with them than during his entire previous experience.

This almost revolutionary action has raised eyebrows among the "old guard" of the Association, but the USLTA has a new look among its officers from the President downwards. All of them have gone on record as favouring an open tournament.

With the formation of the Davis Cup team virtually in the hands of professional promoter Jack Kramer, many changes are expected on the U.S. tennis scene during 1953.

Amateur Status

This week, the pettiest, craziest ruling on amateur status is not to be found in lawn tennis, but in that hazardous sport, of ski-ing. The victim, handsome 22-year-old Toni Sailer of Austria, World Ski Champion, and triple gold medalist in the last Winter Olympics.

It now seems extremely probable that Sailer, rated by some experts as the greatest skier of all time, will be disqualified as an amateur at next month's meeting of the International Skiing Federation's commission on amateurism.

The trouble arises from a film part recently played by the photogenic Mr Sailer. He has stored a film before and it did not affect his amateur status. But this time it is different: he has taken the part of ski champion.

Not An Eye-lid

Sailer is now a professional film star. He could play the part of a professional tennis player and the ski-ing authorities would not blink an eye-lid. But when he plays the part, he knows best of all, the Blimps of amateur ski-ing are horrified.

It will be a grave injustice if Sailer loses his amateur status for this reason. Almost all the top international amateur skiers derive the greater part of their income from ski-ing. And some work for sports equipment firms as a result of the fame they have achieved on skis.

Golf, soccer, tennis, table-tennis, and most of the major sports have their own world championships in this jet age. So why not athletics?

That's the opinion of Mr Tage Ericson, President of the Swedish Athletic Federation, and it has his way World Athletics Championships will be the great new sporting attraction of 1952.

Mr Ericson estimates that the Championships would be held every four years and between each Olympic Games, and he will propose this at the International Amateur Federation Congress in Stockholm in August.

Ericson right? Do we need a world athletics contest? In my view the Olympic Games is quite adequate as a world athletics competition.

Mr Ericson estimates that eight-day World Championships would bring in £1,000,000 from ticket sales. But even if the meeting could be run at a handsome profit, which I very much doubt, is it in the best interest of amateur athletics?

The amateur athlete is already a grossly overworked figure in these days of highly intensive training and crowded athletic programmes.

This year, for instance, the European Championships follow only a few weeks after the British Empire Games. The addition of a World Championship would be a great strain, physically, on athletes, and a great strain, financially, on many countries sending teams.

In the Lead

The Italians are out to kill a legend. For once and for all they are determined to put a tiny little British racing car in its place. They were astounded when Stirling Moss, in a Cooper Climax—never designed for that kind of racing—put himself in the lead for the World Championship by winning this year's Argentine Grand Prix.

So Ferrari have sent to Britain one of their fastest cars, which in the hands of two of their top drivers, Mike Hawthorn and Peter Collins, they hope will give Moss and his little Cooper a lesson.

When the British car blew up at Goodwood recently and Hawthorn in a Ferrari won his race easily, the lesson seemed to have been applied.

But Stirling Moss has ideas of his own. In the Cooper, in which he won the South American race,

he will be driving against the Ferrari again on May 3 at Silverstone. He says: "I am hoping to put in a bigger engine—2.2 litres—in time for the race. It is a prototype and they are working very hard on it now."

"In any case, whatever the engine, I will be racing in the Cooper. I am very happy with it."

There is a rumour that Ferrari might send even another car so that Hawthorn and Collins together can take on Moss. And there will be plenty of other international opposition for Cooper at Silverstone.

Jean Behra, whom many experts tip to win this year's World Championship, and Harry Schell are down to drive two BRMs, and there will be four Maseratis, two of them manned by Scarfatti and Bonnier.

Tough Race

It's going to be a tough race and it might well decide the pattern of Grand Prix driving right through the season.

Competition in international motorcycle racing is keener this year. That, at least, is the evidence of the first few meetings so far staged in Europe.

Outside the factory teams, which include outstanding talents like World Champion Libero Liberati, road racing in Europe has been dominated for some years by British and Dominion riders.

But in the senior class at the recent Imola meeting in Italy, there was a fair sprinkling of Italian, French and German names among the place-men who followed John Surtees and Remo Venturi, the M.V.-Agusta works pair, across the finishing line.

Germany's Ernst Hiller, French Champion Jacques Collet and most surprising of all—the Italian, Calente, showed that they could match the pace of Australian Jack Ahearn and Englishmen Alan Trow and Geoff Tanner on a really difficult circuit.

American Basketball Coach Killed In Auto Collision

Waterloo, Apr. 22.

Frank "Bucky" O'Connor, head basketball coach at the University of Iowa, was killed today in a car-truck collision one mile south of here.

O'Connor, 44, was killed when the car he was driving, a 1952 Ford, was struck by a 1952 Dodge truck on US Highway 218. Both vehicles spun into a ditch on the right side of the road. The driver of the truck, Alvin Hays, La Porte City, Iowa, was only slightly injured.

O'Connor, who had coached at Iowa for seven seasons, was alone in the car. He was en route to Waterloo to appear at a "Sports Of Sports" Club meeting tonight.

O'Connor's Iowa teams won the Big Ten Championship in 1952 and 1953, and his latter team also were runners-up to Stanford for the national crown. He was head coach of the College All-Star Squad which played in the elimination series to pick the 1953 US Olympic Team. —United Press.



The spotlight this week plays on Pte. Paul Rosen, the popular Army North all-rounder who has been nominated as "Cricketer of the Year," an unofficial title awarded by those who see most of the Colony's sport, the local sports writers.

Paul, a native of the Rochdale area, certainly arrived on the scene at the right time and he has done his share, and some might say more than his share toward bringing success to the "North" team.

It is a pity he will not be here with us next season, unless of course he can be persuaded to "sign on the dotted line." How about it, Paul?

Caldbeck Cup

The eagerly awaited Caldbeck Cup final between the Hongkong Signal Regiment and the Royal Engineers got off to a bad start when they met at the Police ground, Boundary Street, last Wednesday, due to the absence of one of the appointed line-ups, and when a substitute had been found he had been delayed ten minutes.

Whether this had an effect on the players I can only guess, but from the first whistle it was far from cup the football which both sides stuck up to a surprisingly small crowd of spectators.

There can be little doubt that the Signals were the better of two poor sides in the first half and it was only on rare occasions that the Sappers found themselves in their opponents' goal area, and on the only occasion they looked like scoring the Signals' centre-half, who had an outstanding game, converted himself temporarily into a goalkeeper and this dangerous move broke down to allow a free kick for hand ball which, when taken, went well over the top.

After 11 minutes what appeared to be a simple shot going straight to the 25' keeper was headed in flight and completely deceived the Sappers' defence, and gave the small but vocally strong supporters' group something to shout about before the echoes had died away the Signals were two up, the Sappers' goalkeeper completely misjudged a ball coming high into the goal area, and when it landed a metre in front of goal found the sphere trundled into the net.

Lucky

Misfortune had, however, not finished with them, for two minutes later a defender handled the ball accidentally I thought, from the other end of the field, but the referee, GMSI Delagety, AFCE, who was right up with the play, thought otherwise and a well taken kick saw the bridge builders in an almost impossible position, three down.

It was over twenty minutes before the Signals' goalie had a did a particularly well. Entering three teams, they went right through to the quarter-final before losing one side, and the other two had the misfortune to meet one another in the semi-final, and both of course gave them representation in the final proceedings, and what a grand display they put up.

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A goal did come from a corner after some 13 minutes, an outswinger landing in the goal area and a scramble saw it pushed in, but this success failed to inspire the Sappers to further effort and time ran out without further addition.

This afternoon on the Police ground, Boundary Street, two excellent matches are due to be played, the final of the Small Unit Knockout Competition featuring the Command Workshops REME and 33 General Hospital and this game will commence at 1500 hours. I fancy the Workshops team will carry too many guns for the Hospital staff, but the latter will not give up without a struggle.

At 1630 the Royal Air Force Kai Tak take the field against the Hongkong zone winners the Caldbeck Cup, the HK Signal Regt, and if they repeat the game I saw them play at Kai Tak earlier in the season it really will be a game worth going a long way to see.

On current form the Airman will start favourites in my estimation, but the Signals can produce excellent form against good opposition, and this will indeed be a "needle" game, and of course, give the soldiers a wonderful "double". Why not go along and see for yourself?

Athletes will be getting the

finishing touches to their training in readiness for a very active fortnight as, due to unforeseen circumstances, the team and individual meetings have had to be postponed and the re-arranged dates will have the Minor Units competing on May 2, while the seniors will occupy the Boundary Street track the following day, May 3. Then two meetings should be well worth a visit to the field as the competition would seem to be very even and some exciting finishes are more than likely.

The two-day individual meeting to be held on May 5 and 6 will also be a very keenly contested affair, for apart from the known track and field men there are a number of "dark horses" who have been hiding their respective lights under the proverbial bushel and the stars will have to go all out to keep on top.

Worth A Visit

This postponement is really a blessing in disguise as the Colony Championships will be held at the Caroline Hill Stadium on May 10 and 11 and there will be no need to get to a peak in training, ease off, and then build up again. Here all the competition will be within days and, although perhaps tiring, it will be welcomed by most.

Intending competitors are reminded that entries will close on May 7. Take this warning and get them in early. There is nothing more irritating than to have to refuse an athlete entry to his favourite race or field event, but of course if all the necessary in arranging a draw, heats etc. and late entries will not be allowed, so get off your entry to the HKAAA, P.O. Box 280, now while you remember it.

Six-a-Side Hockey

Congratulations to the 1st East Lancashire Regiment on winning the Army Six-a-Side Hockey competition held at Sooknapoo last Sunday. Sixteen of the 22 entries turned out on a very hot afternoon and a lot of perspiration was lost during the competition before the eventual winners were known.

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Boxing

The bare news that the 1/RTF lost to the RAO in the FAIRFEL team boxing semi-final was disappointing, indeed but the score of 17-15 would indicate a disqualification during the proceedings and when the detailed news arrives we shall no doubt hear of a fine evening's battling with the "Tanks" perhaps a little unfortunate to be on the losing end.

Details will be given when known. News has been received that the Colony Boxing Championships will be held late in May, so all who have the ambition of having their names inscribed on the very attractive Championship belt had better get into the intensive training phase immediately.

The tentative dates allotted are May 19, 20, 21 and 23 and the venue the Southern Playground.

With the revived interest in this sport of the Police Boxing Association and the probability that the 1/RTF team will be back before the proper state, this season's Championships should be the real thing, and it is hoped that all weights will be fully subscribed and not, as happened last year, have some weights not completed for the lack of entries.

THE GAMBOLS



MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

Milwaukee Braves Chalk Up A 5-2 Victory Over Pittsburgh Pirates

The Milwaukee Braves went for the long ball again on Tuesday with Hank Aaron hitting a three-run homer in the fourth inning to set up a 5-2 victory over the Pittsburgh Pirates in the National League's only day game.

The Chicago Cubs were at Los Angeles and the St. Louis Cardinals visited San Francisco in night games.

Aaron's homer was the second circuit clout of the season for last year's Major League king and the tenth home run by Braves' batters in six games this year. All four Milwaukee victories to date have been attributed to home runs, which have accounted for 20 of the 25 runs scored by the Braves.

Lefty Ruffin Kline gave up the first walk of the game to lead off batter Bob Hiale in the fourth inning, and before the side was retired Milwaukee had pushed three runs across. Eddie Mathews moved Hiale to second with a single and Aaron followed with a 300-foot blast that disappeared over the wall in left centre.

Two fielding gems saved Kline from further damage on an inning later. With none out and Del Rice on second by virtue of a double, Pirates centre-fielder Billy Virdon made a diving catch of winning pitcher Bob Buhl's bat for an extra base hit. Then Red Schoendienst sent a low liner to right on which Roberto Clemente made an ankle-top catch and threw to second to double Rice.

The Braves clinched it in the seventh when singles by Johnny Logan, Rice and Schoendienst produced the final two runs.

Double Plays

Pittsburgh managed to score single runs in the sixth and seventh innings off Buhl, who was hit freely but was helped considerably by three double plays. Buhl was tapped for ten hits but still recorded his second victory without a loss.

The New York Yankees unleashed their big bats for seven runs in the fourth inning today and went on to a 12-7 victory over the Boston Red Sox.

It was the sixth straight loss for the Red Sox. The win enabled the Yankees to maintain

their game and one-half lead over the Kansas City Athletics who beat the Cleveland Indians 9-6.

In other games, Detroit trimmed Chicago 8-2 and Baltimore defeated Washington 4-2, to climb into a fourth-place tie with the Senators.

The Yankees routed Los Angeles 10-0 in the fourth inning which featured a two-run homer by Gil McDougald and triples by Bobby Richardson, Hank Bauer and Andy Carey.

Norm Sieberg of the Yankees and Sammy White of the Red Sox also hit two-run homers. Tom Sturdivant earned the victory although he needed help from Ryne Duren in the ninth.

Bob Cerv hit two homers good for four runs to lead the Athletics to victory over the Indians. Billy Hunter contributed a three-run homer to the Kansas City attack against

loser Bob Lemon and four relievers. Rocky Colavito homered with two aboard and Chico Carrasquel homered with one on for the Indians. Ned Garver was the winner, his second triumph of the season over the Indians.

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out to end the game.—United Press.

THE SCORES NATIONAL LEAGUE
Milwaukee 000-300-200 5-2-3
Pittsburgh 000-001-100 2-10-0
Buhl (2-0) and Rice; Kline, Gross (3) and Folter. LP-Kline (0-2). HR-Aaron (2nd).

AMERICAN LEAGUE
Chicago 001-000-100 2-9-1
Detroit 410-000-21x 8-3-0
Wynn, Moore (2) and Lollar; Hoft (1-0) and Hogan. LP-Wynn (1-1). HRS-Maxwell (2nd). Landis (2nd).

EUROPEAN CUP
Cleveland 000-000-420 6-10-3
K. City 031-200-30x 9-11-0
Lemon, Churn (2), McLish (3), Tommanek (5), Narleski (7) and Nixon; Garver, Gorman (3) and Chalk. WP-Garver (2-0). LP-Lemon (0-1). HRS-Hunter (2nd), Cerv 2 (3rd and 4th), Colavito (2nd), Carrasquel (1st).

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out to end the game.—United Press.

World Chess Championship
Moscow, Apr. 22.
World Chess Champion Vasily Smyslov today won the 19th game in the championship series with challenger and former champion, Mikhail Botvinnik, on the 35th move.

The score in the 24-game series now stands: Botvinnik 10 points, Smyslov 8 points.—France-Press.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Salome—An Explanation

Sir.—In fairness to my Jockey I shall be obliged if you will please publish the following facts concerning the 7th Race on Saturday for the education of the sporting mob in the Members Stand who "boomed" Mr. Chung (or were they booring the combination of horse, jockey and owner?) for not winning with the hot favourite, Salome.

Aside from the fact that it was her maiden effort, the mare was obviously feeling very uncomfortable with a sore leg during the race and lameness manifested itself shortly after. She will now have to be taken off work altogether for the rest of this season and given several months rest.

Thus it will be seen that absolutely no blame can be attached to the jockey (or horse) who, on the contrary, did extremely well to have even been placed in the circumstances.

H. G. ROBINSON.

EUROPEAN CUP

United-Milan To Play First Match On May 8

Paris, Apr. 22.
The semi-final matches, between England's Manchester United and Italy's A. C. Milan for the European Football Cup competition will be played on May 8 and May 14, it was announced in Paris today.

The first match will be played in Manchester—May 8 and the return game will be in Milan on May 14. If a play-off is necessary, it will be held on May 21. The winner of the semi-final will meet the title holders, Real Madrid of Spain in the final on May 28 in Brussels.—France-Press.

DAVIS CUP

Malaya-Ceylon Share Honours On Opening Day

Kuala Lumpur, Apr. 22.
Malaya and Ceylon were level—winning one singles match each—on the opening day of their first round Davis Cup tennis encounter here today.

Ceylon's number one player, Rupert Fernandes beat Malaya's number two, Lim Hec-chin 6-7, 6-0, 6-1, while Malaya's number one, Ong Chew-bee, beat Ceylon's number two, Bernard Pinto 6-7, 6-3, 6-4.

The doubles will be played on Wednesday and the two final singles on Thursday.

This is the first time a Davis Cup match has been played in the Malayan capital.—France-Press.

India's Asian Games Hockey Team Named

Paris, Apr. 22.
A total of 17 players have been selected in Bombay to defend India's hockey supremacy in the Asian Games to be held in Tokyo next month, the Indian Informa Agency reported today.

The selected players were:

Goal: Desamuthu (Bengal) and S. Laxman (Services).

Backs: Balkrishan Singh (Railways), Yagob (Railways), Balakrish Singh (Punjab), and Gurjeet Singh (Punjab).

Half-backs: L. Claudius (Bengal), Jagjit Singh (UP), Gurpreet Singh (Punjab) and Rati (UP).

Forwards: Caleb (UP), Balbir Singh, Senior, (Punjab), K.D. Singh "Babu" (UP), Udhram Singh (Punjab), Gurdev Singh (Punjab), Balbir Singh Jr. (Railways) and N. R. Chavan (Bombay).—France-Press.

JACKIE BLANCHFLOWER IS OUT OF WORLD CUP AS IRELAND'S CENTRE HALF

By JAMES CONNOLLY

London.

Jackie Blanchflower, one of the Munich survivors and the 1957 Wembley hero in Manchester United's gallant but unavailing 10-men bid to beat Villa, will not be in London to see his club play Bolton in the Cup Final on May 3.

It was Blanchflower who captured the sympathy of the vast crowd when he moved from centre half into goal when goalkeeper Ray Wood was injured.

He might not even watch this Bolton game on TV.

"The doctors have told me to forget all about football for a long time," he tells me.

Asked whether the ban was just for this season, a disconsolate Blanchflower answered: "I don't know. But you can call it a kind of holiday, right away from the game."

"The doctors have also told me that I cannot go to Wembley. I must not risk being fussed in the crowd. In fact, they say I am not even to think of a comeback at the moment."

So Blanchflower is also out of World Cup reckoning as Ireland's centre half.

£60,000 Face Lift

Arsenal are discussing a £60,000 face lift that will again make Highbury the show-place of English League Soccer.

How would the money be spent? Roughly £10,000 on re-laying the pitch; £20,000 on renovations over a three-year period, and £30,000 plus on new super floodlights.

Arsenal have just fixed a two-match agreement with Juventus. They play at High-bury next autumn and in Italy the following spring. Each club keeps the home game.

Unfortunately Juventus cannot play under the new lights as they won't be finished till Christmas, but a "full house" would pay in advance for nearly half the installation costs.

And the team? Arsenal will spend there also. They aim at recapturing all the old glory.

Brighton manager Bill Lane gave his boys a promise during the pre-holiday tactics talk...

"Whether we win promotion or not, I want you to know that the team which finishes this season will start the next unchanged. Your efforts have certainly earned that chance."

A Fast Bowler

Don Bates is one of the few professional footballers playing regularly in a League side who is spending most days each week at cricket coaching. He is a fast bowler for Sussex. Six-footer Bates won his place in the Brighton first team earlier this season and is now playing splendidly at right-half.

But his first joyal is to Sussex, so the other Wednesday he took part in the coaching of schoolboys at Middleton in company with Ken Suttle, ex-Chelsea outside-left.

Another dual sports star, Jack Dwyer, Manchester City inside-forward and Lancashire opening batsman, is dogged by bad luck. On the advice of a specialist he is to undergo a bone grafting operation and he is likely to miss at least two months of the cricket season.

Lancashire CC secretary Geoffrey Howard says that the suggestion that Dwyer might be asked to give up football has never been considered by the County Committee.

"Even if he gave up sport he might fall and break a leg while out shopping," he added.

Different Planes

The pick of London's footballers will take to the air when they go to Barcelona for the second leg of the Inter-Cities Cup Final on May 1, but

it is likely that they will travel in two parties on different planes.

London will not be at full strength, Johnny Haynes, the Fulham inside-left, is sure to be kept back with the England World Cup party and Tottenham centre-forward Bobby Smith may also be needed by England.

There will also be question marks against the names of Welsh and Irish internationals who may be needed for touring teams.

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What's In A Name?

Alan Hope could not hold down a regular place in Sunderland's senior team. He made only nine League appearances and scored two goals. During the summer he changed his name from Hope to O'Neill by deed poll and now he is the club's leading scorer and a regular first team man. Ironically, this leading scorer and Stan Anderson are the only two members of the team that cost only a £10 signing-on fee.

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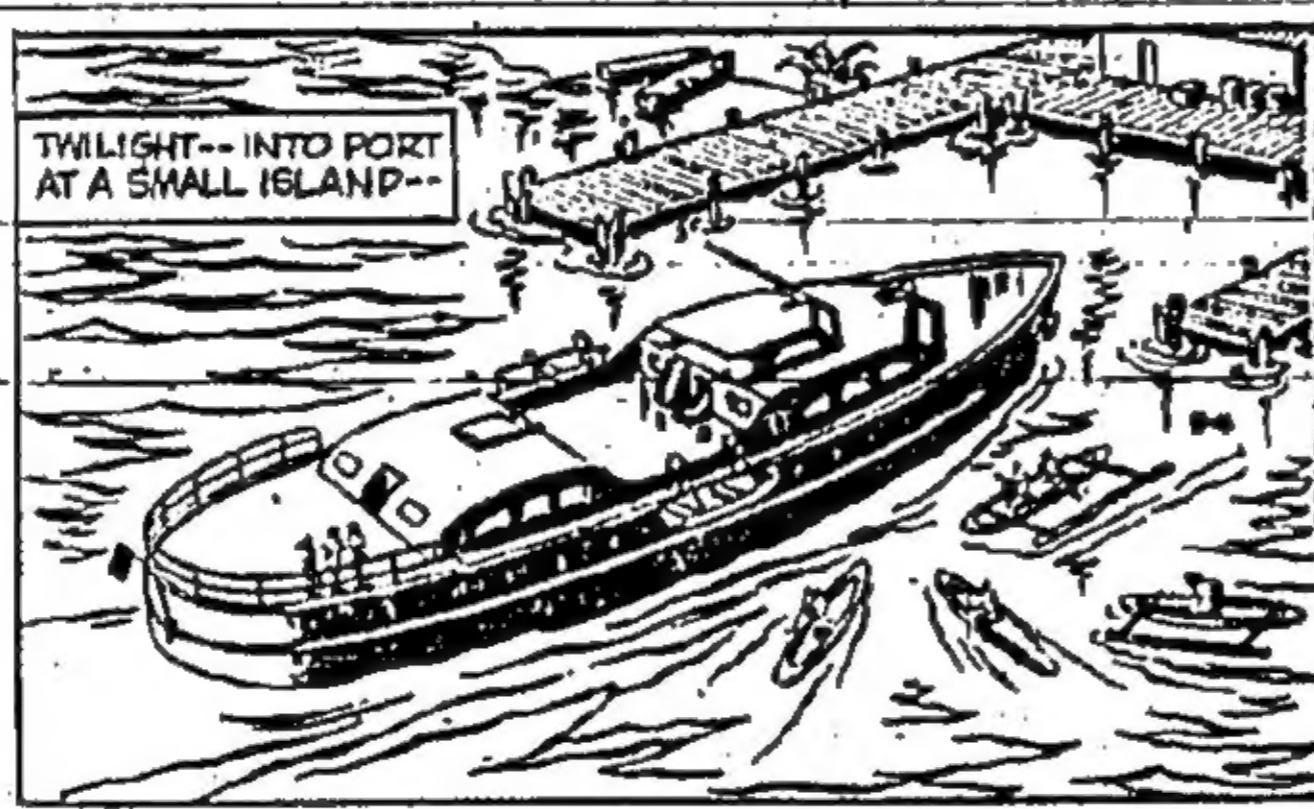
To the Editor, China Mail,
My nomination for Hongkong's Footballer of the Year, taking into account his playing ability and his sportsmanship on the field of play is:

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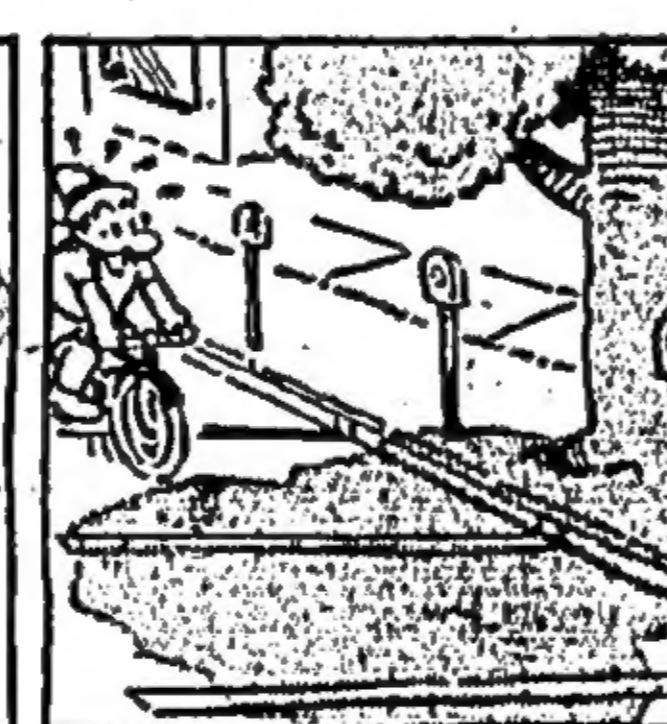
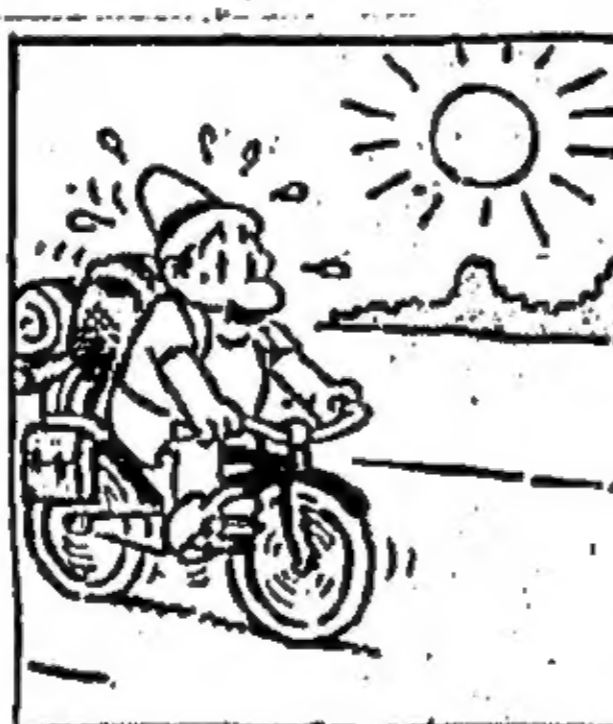
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Stones Of Stonehenge To Be Re-Erected

London, Apr. 22.

SOME of the huge fallen slabs of stone at Stonehenge, Britain's unique prehistoric temple on Salisbury Plain, are to be re-erected before the end of June.

By
SIDNEY TAYLOR

The monument will then be as it was before 1797, when one of the trilithons (two 45-ton pillars with a lintel across their top) suddenly crashed to earth, toppling the ruins of an essential part of their dignity and intelligibility.

Other stones which fell in 1890 will also be restored to their original position, but nothing will be done to the many prostrate columns thrown down in ancient times—apparently by the Romans 2,000 years ago, when they were ruthlessly extinguishing Druidism and human sacrifice from the new colony of Britannia.

No Faking

Archaeologists and the Ancient Monuments Board are opposed to any attempt to "restore" Stonehenge to what might be conjectured its original state. They think that what should be preserved is the monument as it is known to have been left after the Romans, or earlier invaders, had vented their wrath.

Spokesmen of the British Office of Works have promised

that they will avoid any suggestion of "faking" Stonehenge, and their order for the delicate operation which has now begun concludes with the firm injunction: "Leave site perfect."

On of the finest stone circles in the world, with more than half of it still unexplored, Stonehenge is a dumb symbol of no one knows what. Its age is thought to be 4,000 years, but no one can say for sure when it was built, by whom or for what purpose. It has no back-ground like the Bible stories or the Hecatonchthon legends.

A thousand years or more before it came into being, Britain had been severed from the European continent by the waters from the melting Pleistocene ice sheets flooding over what is now the North Sea.

People from Asia Minor and other shores of the Mediterranean were sailing to this barren north-west in search of copper, tin and gold. They were dark-skinned Megalith (Big Stone) tribes, farmer-herdsmen, flint miners and traders who built imposing tombs in Spain, France and as far away as Sweden.

In Britain, where history had not yet begun, they were attracted, like other races, to the chalk plateau of Salisbury Plain, which was high and dry for the cattle and swine and had not too many trees—a great advantage to people whose principal cutting implement was only a flint axe.

Beakers

Some 600 years later came the Beaker People, so-called because of their custom of always burying a pottery beaker with their dead.

Ireland had been trading her wealth in copper and alluvial gold with countries on the continent and this rich commerce had to cross the Plain and Wessex.

The Plain became the most populated part of primitive Britain. Probably the earliest open temple and the likely prototype for those to come later was "Woodhenge," a modern name for a bare site of six concentric rings within a rampart discovered from the air in 1925.

Eventually, the real heart of this ancient civilisation, about 1800 B.C., was an enormous complex of ritual monuments, circular rings within a rampart, and a series of standing stones, at Avebury.

Most of the hundred great monoliths were broken up and used for building during the 18th century, but the ruins of Stonehenge were left and have become one of Britain's most famous relics of the past.

Stonehenge represents three structural phases. The first, consisting of a circle of about 100-170 B.C. (Before Christ) the Megalithic and Neolithic period) consisted of a circular ditch and bank enclosing a ring of 50 ritual pits, and a single monolith known as the Heel Stone.

Blue Stone

In the second phase, the Beaker People brought beautiful blue stones from the Prescelly mountains in Pembrokeshire, the only place where they exist. The transport of these stones, the largest of which, the Altar Stone, weighs over six tons, was a remarkable achievement for those days. It is thought that they were brought by raft up the Bristol Channel, thence up rivers, and finally dragged across land, possibly on sledges in winter time.

The third stage included bringing 50-ton sarsen stones from north Wiltshire and erecting them in a circle and horseshoe of trilithons. They dominated the sanctuary, the blue stones having been dismantled and given a different arrangement.

At this time, the brilliant Wessex Bronze Age was at its height (about 1500-1400 B.C.) and the region was part of a trade network which extended as far west as Central Europe and Mediterranean Greece.

Aegean techniques of architecture and masonry are reflected in the finished temple. Of the greatest significance are carvings of axes and daggers on the sandstone, discovered by accident in 1953 when photo-

graphs were being taken. The axe closely resembles those to be seen in any museum which includes Wessex implements dating back to 1500 B.C., but the dagger is unique in northern Europe, though common at Mycenae in pre-Homer Greece.

When the recurrent trilithon is sighted, further secrets may be exposed. Archaeologists still do not know what kind of people built Stonehenge or who ruled them. Beneath the monument may lie a great unknown king, perhaps a whole dynasty.

Clearly, the architect was a foreigner of genius who had at his command an abundance of labour, slave or otherwise. Many of the workers must have been highly skilled, for some of the stones were three times as intractable as granite yet was expertly dressed. The lintels of the trilithons were cleverly fitted with mortices and tenons.

Riddles

The riddles remain though books written about Stonehenge totalled 1,000 between the years 1600 and 1900 and several hundred since.

Michael Drayton (1563-1631), the Elizabethan poet, called Stonehenge "the first wonder of the world."

Pepys (1633-1703), the Stuart diarist, wrote that the stones were "as prodigious as any thing I ever heard of them... God knows what their use was."

John Jones (1573-1652), one of the most important of English architects, accepted the temple as Druidic. So did William Blake (1757-1827), poet, painter, engraver and mystic.

Some people today, however, believe that the temple was already standing a thousand years before the Druids came to Salisbury—if they ever did.

The Druids were a class of learned men, who paid no taxes and were not liable for service as soldiers. The Romans hated them because they were hostile to their conquest. Claudius said, "I was surprised because of their barbarous and inhuman religion." But Tacitus, though he recorded the roofing out of Druidism in Anglesey, made no reference to Stonehenge—China Mail Special.

From H. King Wood



Sydney (By Airmail).
FOR some inexplicable reason, the NSW rainbow that leads to the pot of gamblers' gold is petering out and while there still seems to be plenty of money for gambling, trouble is that less gamblers seem to have a share of it.

Among the most worried people at the moment are racing club authorities who are scratching their heads and asking what they must do next to draw cash customers.

Twenty-one meetings ago they introduced the jackpot tote. This, with odds of more than £20,000 a week to 5/-, was to get the turnstiles running hot—but at those meetings attendances have been 29,000 fewer than at the same period last year.

On the other hand, a church organisation has not hesitated to launch an art union in which 370,000 £1 tickets will be offered to the public with first prize a £110,000 hotel at the seaside suburb of Manly. The winner will have to take the pub, but can arrange for sale if he desires.

But don't get the idea that we are running out of gambling chips. Last year a known £230 million was spent on it.

The fact that there are still a few horse guineas about, is also significant. It is a fact that this year's yearling sales have established new price records and hundreds of thousands have changed hands in a few days.

Leather-jungled John Inglis, who disposes of the yearlings in the same manner as a fish-and-chips shop, knows the difference between a face twitch to move a fly or to send the price up another hundred, makes money quick and, lively for his first.

At a 6 per cent commission and it takes only minutes for a yearling to change hands. The 7,100-guinea buy on the opening day in two and a half minutes for a commission of £247.60.

A Tunnel?
 So great has the traffic jam become on the Harbour Bridge, that it is almost certain that one of the main tasks confronting the Premier, Mr. Cahill, on his visit to America is to investigate the possibility of tunnels under the harbour.

Already preliminary surveys have been made and unofficial departmental spokesmen are confident that the harbour will be tunneled in less than 10 years.

The cost—about £15 million—would be only a quarter of building another bridge and could be completed in two years, whereas a bridge-based on our bridge building speed over the last 10 years—could take a lifetime.

Idea is not to tunnel under the harbour itself, but to dredge a deep trench and lower huge concrete pillars into it. These would be cemented in position and joined together. Maximum depth would be 80ft. and ventilation shafts would run to above water level.

Another traffic idea that won't hit the ground is a proposal by an Australian construction firm to build a straight four-lane highway between Sydney and Newcastle and charge 15/- toll to motorists using it for the next 20 years, then turn it over to the Government.

Minister for highways, Mr. Renshaw, says he has heard of

these schemes before and is not impressed.

For the first time last week, Governor-General Sir William Slim, took the salute from a departing warship.

The ship was the Canadian cruiser Ontario, and Sir William stood on the steps of Admiralty House, Sydney (which are right on the water) and waved his uniform hat.

Mothball
 The RAN at present has 22 ships in its mothball fleet.

They range from Australia's only cruiser, Hobart, down to an ocean going tug.

Hobart went into reserve in 1955 just after £1,500,000 had been spent on modernisation refit. It has been unofficially suggested that she may re-emerge converted as Australia's first guided-missile launching warship.

HMAS Sydney, one of the Navy's two light carriers is due to go into the mothball fleet this month.

Mrs. Ellen Tomkinson, of the Melbourne suburb of Essendon, doesn't like anything to get the best of her and she has now finished a bachelor of arts course, which she began in 1918.

She began the arts course at Melbourne University that year. Three years later she had her diploma of education but with one subject short of her BA degree, began teaching at country schools.

Then she got married, a family arrived, and one-way things to think about than BAs. Two years ago she decided to finish the course, but found that times had changed, and had to complete two subjects instead of one.

She decided to go on with it, however, and now, nearly 40 years later, has completed her education.

Gas Basin
 Sydney is built on a huge, natural gas basin thousands of miles in extent, according to a visiting U.S. authority, Professor Dr. Glenn G. Bartle.

The locals have realised for a long time that we are literally sitting on gas, but the Australian Oil and Gas Corporation brought the Professor out to tell them how much.

There is so much natural gas available that eventually it will be piped to cities 100 miles from Sydney and will last so far into the future that he doesn't guess the year it might run out.

The NSW Police Force is trying to recruit a number of new Australians to help solve crimes in which migrants are involved.

The Commissioner is particularly looking for men who can handle European languages so that police themselves can quiz suspects instead of having to rely on government interpreters.

The Force at present has 10 New Australians, but the tough tests set would be recruits makes their entry pretty tough.

China Mail Entertainment Guide

WHAT'S ON TONIGHT

ROXY & BROADWAY: "Boy On A Dolphin." Alan Ladd and Sophia Loren look for a statue.

KING'S & PRINCESS: "The Bridge On The River Kwai." William Holden, Jack Hawkins and Alec Guinness in an Academy Awards winning war picture.

HOOVER & LIBERTY: "Until They Sail." Jean Simmons, Joan Fontaine and Paul Newman, in a romantic drama. 9.30 p.m. "Rainbow County." Montgomery Clift and Elizabeth Taylor in a Civil War romance.

STAR & METROPOLE: "Man, Of A Thousand Faces." James Cagney as Lon Chaney.

LEE & ASTOR: "The Bolshoi Ballet." Filmed during their visit to London.

QUEEN'S & ALHAMBRA: "Beware Of Pickpockets." A hilarious Chinese comedy.

CAPITOL: "Pardners." A Martin-Lewis comedy.

RITZ: "The Tall T." Randolph Scott in a western.

ORIENTAL & MAJESTIC: "Peyton Place." Lana Turner and an all-star cast.

Audio And Visual Entertainment

RADIO HONGKONG
 5.30 Evening Serenade—Melodious Strings.
 7.00 Time Signal.
 7.15 News.
 7.30 Songs by Peter Perry.
 7.45 "Falcon" written and produced by Gillian Drilling.
 8.00 George Fowler.
 8.15 Weather Forecast.
 8.30 News.
 8.45 "The Birds of Asia."
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TELEVISION
 6 p.m. Children's Hour—Cartoons.
 6.15 "The Birds of Asia."
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 By Air
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 Hawaii, U.S.A., Canada, 6 p.m.
 Formosa, Korea, 6 p.m.
 U.S.A., 3 p.m.
 New Zealand, 3 p.m.
 Macao, 3 p.m.
THURSDAY, APRIL 24
 By Air
 Laos, Siam, India, 9 a.m.
 Japan, 8 a.m.
 Peking, Shanghai, Hankow, Kunming, 8 a.m.
 Thailand, 9 a.m.
 Philippines, 9 p.m.
 Malaysia, Indonesia, Australia, New Zealand, India, Africa, Great Britain, 9 p.m.
 U.S.A., 3 p.m.
 Formosa, 6 p.m.
 Korea, 6 p.m.
 U.S.A., 3 p.m.
 New Zealand, 3 p.m.
 Macao, 3 p.m.
FRIDAY, APRIL 25
 By Air
 Thailand, Burma, India, 9 a.m.
 Indo-China, Laos, France, 10 a.m.
 Japan, Okinawa, Korea, 10 a.m.
 Formosa, 10 a.m.
 U.S.A., 3 p.m.
 New Zealand, 3 p.m.
 Macao, 3 p.m.
SATURDAY, APRIL 26
 By Air
 Thailand, Burma, India, 9 a.m.
 Indo-China, Laos, France, 10 a.m.
 Japan, Okinawa, Korea, 10 a.m.
 Formosa, 10 a.m.
 U.S.A., 3 p.m.
 New Zealand, 3 p.m.
 Macao, 3 p.m.

